of the Governor or of Monsieur de Mayne to impeach They prayed him signify so much to Monsieur de Mayne , and if he would have it better confirmed, they would within an hour bring ten thousand persons who would affirm their resolution

z$th May ABUSES OF THE QUEEN'S SERVICE IN GLOUCESTER-SHIRE

The Justices of the Peace for the county of Gloucester are ordered to inquire into the complaints that the Queen's services are much hindered and neglected by the inferior officers that from time to time have the conducting of the soldiers pressed for service in Normandy and Brittany These officers have sold, freed or exchanged the most part of those of any suffering and ability before they were delivered over to their captains to be embarked

2.6th May MARLOWE'S BLASPHEMIES

Information hath been received by the Lord Keeper of the opinions of Christopher Marlowe, and by him laid before the Queen This Marlowe is accused of many vile and horrible blasphemies concerning Christ and His Mother , affirmeth that Moses was but a juggler and that one Harriott, Sir Walter Ralegh's man, can do more than he Into every company he corneth he would persuade men to atheism, willing them not to be afeared of bugbears and hobgoblins, and utterly scorning both God and His ministers.

28*th May* PRECAUTIONS AGAINST PLAGUE*

Trinity Term is adjourned owing to the great increase of the plague in London, Westminster, and the parts adjoining But seeing that great prejudice would grow to many in their causes and suits if the term be wholly adjourned, some few days at the beginning and ending of the term shall be

held for the better expediting those causes that can be performed m the absence of the parties by their attorneys No party, save in case of outlawry, is compelled to appear in person

STRATFORD GOOSE FAIR FORBIDDEN

At this time of the year there is usually held a ' Goose feast * at Stratford Bow, whither a disordered assembly of all the vagabond and idle persons come from the City, whereat